

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0026] as follows:

[0026] As the FD&C dyes and natural colorants are water soluble, solubilizing the dyes in a carrier that is compatible with a wax poses a significant technical challenge. In certain preferred embodiments, the colorants are completely solvated in the carrier such that there are substantially no colorant solids in the ink. The substantial absence of colorant solids in this context means less than 5.0 percent by weight solids, preferably less than 1.0 percent by weight solids. Preferably, an FD&C dye is provided in the ~~ink~~ carrier in a range of about 0.5 percent by weight up to about the solubility limit of the colorant in the carrier. Practically, FD&C dye is present in the fat or wax-based ink ~~in an~~ together with the carrier in a combined amount of about 5.5 percent by weight to about 35.0 percent by weight.